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FOR: NOISE PREVENTION PLATE CONSISTING OF ACRYLIC GLASS

RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief, dated September 5, 2008, and in accordance with MPEP 1205.03, the following amended section of the Appeal Brief required by 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v) is submitted:

V. SUMMARY OF THE CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER

A summary of the claimed subject matter, as claimed in sole independent Claim 1, is mapped out below, with reference to page and line numbers in the specification added in **[bold]** after each element.

An acrylic sheet for use as non-transparent sound-deadening unit in noise barriers [page 3, lines 25-26 taken with page 34, lines 3-4] comprising, a non-transparent sheet [page 4, lines 12-13] wherein the dimension of the sheet is 2 x 2 m or greater at a thickness of more than 8 mm, [page 3, lines 25-26 taken with page 34, lines 4-6] wherein the sheet contains threads, tapes, grids, or nets made from a material incompatible with the acrylic

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sheet that have been embedded into the acrylic sheet to bind splinters in the event of fracture of the sheet, [page 3, lines 25-26 taken with page 34, lines 7-11] and further comprising a filler wherein the proportion of the filler based on the total weight of the sheet reduced by the weight of the embedded threads, tapes, grids or nets, is from 40 to 80 per cent by weight.

[page 3, lines 25-26 taken with page 34, lines 11-15]

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